* DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY – Navajo County Severe Weather *

WHEREAS, severe weather struck Navajo County on February 18, 2005, bringing more precipitation in the area of Snowflake and the Little Colorado River near Winslow through February 20, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Little Colorado River began to flood and cut a new channel impacting the Winslow Flood Control Levee, threatening approximately 100 families and homes in the Ames Acres subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Snowflake's utility systems were damaged for the second time this winter; and

WHEREAS, Navajo County and the Town of Snowflake have declared a state of emergency and are requesting assistance from the State; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized to declare an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has authorized the expenditure of funds in an event of an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 35-192;

NOW, THEREFORE I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, do hereby determine that the Navajo County severe weather justifies a declaration of a State of Emergency, pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D), and I do hereby:

- a. Declare that a state of emergency exists in Navajo County due to the severe weather and flooding, effective February 18-20, 2005; and
- b. Direct that the sum of \$70,000 from the general fund be made available to the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to be expended in accordance with A.R.S. § 35-192, A.A.C. R8-2-301 to 321, and Executive Order 79-4.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

GOVERNOR

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DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this seventh day of April in the Year Two Thousand Five and of the independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-ninth.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE